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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY – GENERAL RULES  
MARCH 5, 2012  
9:00 A.M.  
RULE SET # 2010-003 LR**

The Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 5, 2012, starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Ottawa Building, 611 West Ottawa, Conference Room 3, Upper Level, Lansing, Michigan.

The public hearing is being held to receive comments on the proposed rules that will implement the requirements of Public Act 471 of 2008, which took effect on January 9, 2009. Public Act 471 requires the licensure of massage therapists and the proposed rules will establish requirements for the licensure and relicensure of massage therapists. In addition, the proposed rules will establish requirements for a supervised curriculum; adopt examinations for massage therapists; clarify what constitutes prohibited conduct for massage therapists; clarify what constitutes false or misleading advertising, and establish requirements for client records.

These rules are being promulgated under the authority of sections 16145(3) and 17951 of 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.16145(3) and MCL 333.17951 et seq. and Executive Reorganization Order Nos. 1996-1, 1996-2, 2003-1, and 2011-4, MCL 333.3101, MCL 445.2001, MCL 445.2011, and MCL 445.2030. The rules will take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State, unless specified otherwise in the rules.

Comments on the proposed rules may be presented in person at the public hearing. Written comments may be submitted at the time of presentation and will also be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on March 7, 2012, at the following address or e-mail address:

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A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained by contacting Desmond Mitchell at (517) 373-0042 or at [mitchelld6@michigan.gov](mailto:mitchelld6@michigan.gov). Electronic copies also may be obtained at the following link: <http://www.state.mi.us/orr/emi/rules.asp?type=dept&id=LG>.

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